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- 1. RE PARA 1, DC&I WILL INCLUDE REQUESTED INFORMATION IN REPORTS.
- 2. RE PARA 2, ADDITIONAL CRITERIA PROPOSED BY U.S. SIDE GIVES DC&I PROBLEMS IN THAT THEY FEEL OBLIGED UNDER AGREEMENT TO HOLD UP EA'S WHEN NOTIFYING UNDUE CONCENTRATION OR UNUSUALLY LARGE APPLICATIONS BUT, IN FACT, THEY WILL NOT KNOW WHETHER NEW CRITERIA APPLY UNTIL AFTER THE CUMULATIVE FIGURES FOR FIVE WORKING DAYS ARE ASSEMBLED. THUS, TO APPLY ADDITIONAL CRITERIA WOULD ENTAIL HOLDING UP ALL EA'S FOR FIVE WORKING DAYS.
- 3. DC&I BELIEVES WASHINGTON CONCERN MAY BE TO HAVE FIGURES SOONER; THEY, THEREFORE, OFFER TO SEND WEEKLY, RATHER THAN BI-WEEKLY, REPORTS.
- 4. ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE, SUGGESTED BY CONGEN, WOULD BE FOR DC&I TO ISSUE EA'S ON BASIS OF EXISTING CRITERIA BUT TO NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY IF SITUATION COVERED BY NEW CRITERIA DEVELOPS DURING FIVE WORKING DAYS AND HOLD UP ADDITIONAL EA'S IN CATEGORY PENDING WASHINGTON COMMENT.
- 5. COMMENT: MATHEMATICALLY, IT IS IMPROBABLE THAT THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SITUATION ENVISAGED IN THE NEW CRITERIA WOULD OCCUR AFTER

THE INITIAL ISSUANCE OF QUOTA DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF THE
TEXTILE YEAR. THIS, OF COURSE, IS ALREADY COVERED BY THE
DAILY NOTIFICATION PROCEDUREFOR OCTOBER 2-5 AND 7.
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